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OUR POLICY IN THE FAR EAST

by

LT. GEN. ALBERT C. WEDEMEYER

Former U.S. Commander-in-Chief in China and Retiring 6th Army Commander

Fresh from his sensational testimony before the Senate MacArthur investigating committee, I Wedemeyer next Thursday makes his first New York appearance before the press since he challenged Pentagon and State Department policy and declared the U.S. should "get out of Korea".

A distinguished officer, "old China hand" and author of the controversial, long-classified "Wedemeyer Report", the former Army Deputy Chief of Staff on August 1 resigns as commander of the 6th Army, a post to which he requested assignment because of top-level policy differences.

In an Overseas Press Club EXCLUSIVE, General Wedemeyer will speak on U.S. Far Eastern policy and then answer press-conference-style questions. No stranger to the OPC, before which he has spoken several times in the past, the General will be accompanied by Mrs. Wedemeyer and their son.

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SHIFTS AND SLOTS: New chief of the AP's Rome bureau is STAN SWINTON, who returned to the U.S. recently after almost a year as war correspondent in Korea. Before his Korea stint, SWINTON was AP bureau chief in Singapore and Cairo....JULIAN BACH, JR., a former assistant editor of Life, has just been named supervisory editor of True magazine...New editor over at "21", the new pocket-sized young men's mag published by Parents Institute, is STERLING LORD, ex-associate editor of True....

SUMMER RENTAL: Five-room house, two-car garage, situated on top of Hut Hill in Bridgewater, Conn., in 10 wooded acres. Furnished; grand piano, 16-tube RCA Victor set, modern plumbing, electricity, phones, etc. Magnificent view of lake. Property was summer home of the late GUY C. HICKOK. Please telephone Mrs. HICKOK at Norwalk 8-3537.

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During his recent visit to the U.S., Israel Premier Ben Gurion was profiled for the Toronto Star Weekly by RUTH KARPF. Reports he's a "refreshingly undiplomatic diplomat." When last seen in Tel-Aviv in 1948, the story was that he turned up at a party one night in formal clothes --full of apologies -- muttering, "Awfully sorry about this get-up...you must forgive...my working clothes, you know!"...RAY JOSEPHS co-authors "The Store That Acts as Neighbor" in the current Nation's Business...Past President LOUIS P. LOCHNER delivered the commencement address at Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, Ind., June 3...

Drop a "speedy recovery" note to IEO IANIA, who entered Presbyterian Hospital the other day for major surgery. He'll be out of circulation all month...CLINT GREEN, recently returned to the U.S. after four years in Europe for the New York Times, has become an active partner in Promotional Films Co., Inc. The outfit turned out the successful IICWU film, "With These Hands", which was nominated for an Academy Oscar...

Back in Chicago after five-and-a-half months in Korea is JOHN H. (Beaver) THOMPSON, Tribune correspondent. "Wars are always miserable but this one was more so than any others I've hit", he reports. "Now that I'm bacm at the old stand I find that once again I'm our supposed writer on military affairs, plus doubling in brass on general assignments. There are no clues to any future assignments, but I wouldn't mind one in Europe, after I get acquainted again with my wife and children...WAITER SIMMONS is still our Tokyo bureau chief, while spending most of his time in Korea, and for my money, is the ablest reporter on the scene. He was there (in Korea) last June when it all began. Fortunately for him, his wife, Edith (also one of our foreign correspondents) and their children, are in Tokyo where he gets a chance to recover his sanity from time to time after living in Korea....Give my warmest regards to HAL BOYLE, FRANK KELLEY, CORNELIUS RYAN and others..."

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NEW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS :

ACTIVE:

William R. Frye, United Nations correspondent for the Christian Science Monitor. France, Germany, England, 1944 to 1946, for the Stars & Stripes. Proposed by MARY HORNADAY; seconded by JOHN DALY.

The Chairman of the Admissions Committee announces the election to membership in the Overseas Press Club of America of the following candidates:

Active: A. F. MONROE, vice president, director of public relations, J. M. Mathes, Inc.

Armed Force: Lt. Col. ROSWELL P. ROSENGREN, Chief, Information Section, First Army

According to Co-Chairman DAVID D. ZINGG, the following have joined the Placement Committee: Past President BOB CONSIDINE (Co-Chairman), ROBERT ECKHOUSE (Vice-Chairman), CHARLES M. KINSOLVING and CURTIS L. HOXTER.

SVEN-ERIK BERGH has been appointed to the Library Committee, while JOSEPH RUFFNER, JR., HUGH CONWAY and GLENN T. NEVILLE are new additions to the Public Relations Committee.

"WHO'S ORDERS FOR NEW WHO" KEEP CLUB HEADQUARTERS BUSY: HAVE YOU BOUGHT YOUR COPY YET?

Following a statement to the press announcing publication of the 1950-1951 "Who's Who in Foreign Correspondence", a wave of new orders kept Club Headquarters busy this week. Advertising agencies, public relations firms, newspaper and magazine

editors, librarians and corporations were among those filing requests for from one to five copies each.

"We don't want to disappoint regular Club Members", said Executive Secretary Janice Griffiths, "but it would help if Members sent in their orders for copies as soon as possible." The third edition of the Club's distinguished roster of foreign correspondents contains biographies of Members, a Club history and information regarding past and present Club activities.

The special price to Members for the 128-page "Who's Who" is \$1 per copy, while non-members may secure copies for \$2 each. Orders should be addressed to Club Headquarters, 1475 Broadway, New York 18, N. Y., marked "Attention: Who's Who Department".

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BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETS, HEARS COMMITTEE REPORTS President JOHN DALY presided at the regular June meeting of the Board of Governors Tuesday evening, and introduced Committee Chairmen who presented preliminary reports on organizational progress

DALY read a letter from HENRY GELLERMANN resigning his posts on the Executive Committee and Board of Governors due to his return to military service. Accepting his resignations with reluctance, the Board then elected MARY HORNADAY, senior alternate, to fulfill GELLERMANN's unexpired term of office on the Board and to replace him on the Executive Committee.

Also, the Board voted to admit Armed Forces members to the Club without initiation fee but upon payment of the lowest rate of dues in effect. Following reports from Chairman BRUNO SHAW and IEONARD SMITH of the Freedom of Press and Information, and Public Relations Committees, respectively, a vote of commendation was tendered both groups by the Board. A report from Dinner Chairman JOSEF C. DINE received like praise from the body.

Financially, the Club did well in its May operations, Secretary-Treasurer JOSEPH J. WURZEL reported. Total income for the month was \$3,161.32 while expenses amounted to \$1,317.17 for a profit of \$1,844.15. Income for the month included a net profit of \$1,539.02 realized from the Awards Presentation Dinner.

Dues collected thus far for the current year's membership amount to \$8,907.50. This is about 50 percent better than at the same period in 1950, and WURZEL expressed appreciation to Members for the promptness which has brought these renewals pouring into the treasury's coffers. Final notices have been sent to the comparatively few Members who have not remitted.

OUR PRIZE-WINNING COLLEAGUES: Among winners of the third annual George Polk Memorial Awards (no connection with the Overseas Press Club Award of the same name--Editor) of Long Island University last week was the AP's DON WHITEHEAD, in the "wire-service-reporting" category..... (Courtesy of Newsweek): "As a pro in the field, BEACH CONGER, the footloose travel editor of the New York Herald Tribune, decided to enter a contest for suggestions to improve American editions of the famous French Guides Bleus. His simple hint was to have the guide book translated by someone with a fluent command of the American idiom...As CONGER prepared to cover a story in Paris, he got word that he had won the contest. His appropriate prize: a vacation in France.

DAVID SCHOENBRUN, CBS correspondent in Paris, on June 6 broadcast an exclusive interivew with General Omar N. Bradley, Chairman of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff, in which Bradley priased French contributions to the defense effort....The National Association of Retail Grocers on June 15 heard a noted guest speaker, Past President LOWELL THOMAS...KATHRYN CRAVENS, according to columnist Danton Walker, is flying into Brazil's Matto Grosso jungle to interview natives on a lost-explorer story...AP's Madrid bureau chief, HAYNES THOMPSON, visiting in Montgomery, Ala., where he was one-time state editor of the Advertiser....

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ROME DAILY AMERICAN RESUMES PUBLICATION FOLLOWING PROTESTS BY OVERSEAS PRESS CLUB

...Commission Finds Noise Quieted
After Premier Hears from OPC....

Less than a week after the Overseas Press Club sent official protests to Italian Premier de Gasperi over the April 23 closing of the Rome Daily American, a Rome city commission visited the premises of the shuttered newspaper and reported the cause of the suspension had been eliminated. Publisher JACK BEGON, who recently appealed to the OPC for assistance in his fight to re-open the American-owned newspaper, resumed publication June 9.

Approval by the city commission of BEGON's efforts to reduce plant noise, which allegedly had disturbed so many neighbors that Rome police closed down the paper, climaxed a long struggle in which the Overseas Press Club played a role. BEGON had claimed that other Rome printing plants were situated in urban areas but that no one had suggested they be suspended. It was also rumored that Il Messagero, an Italian paper whose premises were used by the Stars & Stripes during the war and which attacked the Daily American for disturbing workers' sleep, was itself considering publication of an English edition.

Following BEGON's appeal to the OPC, the Club's Committee on Freedom of Press and Information, headed by Chairman BRUNO SHAW, ordered an on-the-spot investigation of the case. Based on detailed reports from observers in Rome and conversations with other Rome newsmen, the Club on June 1 sent messages of protest to Premier Alcide de Gasperi, Italian Ambassador Alberto Tarchiani and Secretary of State Dean Acheson.

Action to permit the $\underline{\text{Daily American}}$ to resume publication was taken less than seven days after the Club's official $\underline{\text{protests reached}}$ their addressees.

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Additional volunteers are urged to apply for appointment to the Public Relations Committee, according to Chairman LEONARD S. SMITH. Club Members who will devote some time and effort to this important OPC operation are asked to call Club Headquarters at once...Just back from Central America, where he was surrounded with "earthwakes, revolutions, Communist uprisings and all of lovely things that region affords", is HAL LEE. The New Orleans Times-Picquae front-paged his report on the Salvador earthquake, and immediately started a drive for clothing and medicine for the victims. A similar drive is being launched in New York this month by Mayor Impellitteri....

The National Press Club has invited the Overseas Press Club to send a large delegation to attend the NPC's gala annual picnic in Washington, D.C., on Saturday, June 30, according to LEONARD S. SMITH, who has been named to organize the delegation. Guests in past years will recall the fabulous feast, Congress vs. Press hardball game, free liquid refreshments, rodeo, horse race and other events which highlight the occasion. The OPC delegation will fly to Washington at 10 AM Saturday, returning about 8 PM. Sorry, gals, it's a stag affair. Total costs -- including transportation, food, drink, extras; everything--amount to \$32.83 per person. Reservations must be made by Friday, June 22, with LEN SMITH, 118 East 93rd Street, LEhigh 4-4663.

Past President LOWELL THOMAS and EDWARD R. MURROW are two of 11 top radio reporters who have recorded special 20-second spot announcements to aid the Marine Corps recruiting drive during this month and July....The recent Washington Post Celebrity Golf Tournament found President JOHN DALY and Past President BOB CONSIDINE among the participants. CONSIDINE is reported to have lasted only nine holes, while President DALY finished up all 18 -- with a score of 106, said to be the highest run up by any player....

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A limited number of copies of the 1951 "Directory of Taiwan" are available to interested Members. Those who would like a free copy of this 120-page guidebook on Formosa are asked to write to FRANK TAO, Chinese News Service, 30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York...DAVID D. ZINGG, editor of the United Fruit Company magazine, on June 14 was elected president of the House Magazine Institute, professional society of industrial mag editors. Congratulations!!!

LORD WILMOT DENIES SPLIT IN ANGLO-AMERICAN RELATIONS IN REPEAT VISIT TO O.P.C.

No real division exists between Britain and her American allies, declared Lord Wilmot, Labor peer and former Supply Minister, in a talk Monday which represented his second appearance before the Overseas Press Club. The affable diplomat-industrialist, further-

more, pointed to the "astonishing achievement of the Anglo-American partnership" in the joint efforts of the two nations to prevent the spread of Communism. Lord Wilmot spoke before more

than 75 OPC Members and their guests at a Toots Shor luncheon.

In a speech which was tape-recorded for broadcast over New York FM Station WFDR, the former bank clerk who rose to the peerage urged that more American spokesmen be sent to Britain to "talk and explain the United States point of view". He emphasized that world peace is a "twoway job" comprised of mutually satisfactory relations between the two great English-speaking nations.

A question period, which occupied most of the program, brought forth a categorical denial from Lord Wilmot that Britain was shipping any goods to Red China. "No war materials are being sent to the enemy," he said, "due to the strict embargo we are enforcing." All trade, he insisted, is subject to "rigid controls". Lord Wilmot also declared the British Government has no real objection to the nationalization of Iran's oil industry, but attacked the methods by which this is being accomplished. He said it is "being done by tearing up agreements and by taking other people's property". He contrasted Iran's project with the British nationalization program, which has always paid for what it has appropriated.

Previously, Lord Wilmot recalled an incident which took place in 1941 when Winston Churchill and other high British officials sailed out to Scapa Flow to take possession of the over-aged American destroyers provided under the Lend-Lease Program. Churchill watched as the somewhat battered destroyers hove into view, and exclaimed, "Chaep and nasty!" There was some consternation, as Harry Hopkins was standing by his side. Then Churchill promptly quipped: "Cheap for

us, yes, but nasty for Hitler".

President JOHN DALY presided at the luncheon, while Program Chairman SANFORD GRIFFITH introduced the speaker and various guests. Among those welcomed were Mrs. Jeanne Singer, of the public information office of the U.S. Mission to the UN; Alexander H. Joyce, assistant secretary of the Commonwealth Relations Office of London; JAMES R. and MARJORIE YOUNG, of the Anderson (S.C.) Daily Mail, in town for the meeting, and Bill Dandell, editor of the Rome Dail American (see Page 5). GUEST BOOK: ORVILLE ANDERSON of the Department of State; ABC's DON COE and PAULINE FREDERICK; JOHN GOETTE and ALICE HUGHES, both of King Features; G. A. W. WYNNE; EARL CHAPIN MAY of American, with TOM JOHNSON, CORNELIUS J. RYAN, DOROTHY OMANSKY, MARY HORNADAY; MADELINE ROSS; E. C. POTTER; JOSEPH RUFFNER; FARLEY MANNING and ELIZABETH FAGG; JULIAN BRYAN and SIGRID SCHULTZ, HAL BOYLE, LOUIS P. LOCHNER. The book prize, "A King's Story" (G. P. Putnam's Sons) was won by BERT BRANDT. X-X-X-X-X-X-X-X-X

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